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**REQUEST
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CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Application Number	09/467,333
Filing Date	December 20, 1999
First Named Inventor	Douglas J. Dobrozsi
Group Art Unit	1617
Examiner Name	H. Nguyen
Attorney Docket Number	7804
Confirmation Number	2248

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.
NOTE: Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. Previously submitted
 - i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii. Other _____
- b. Enclosed
 - i. Amendment/Reply
 - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. Other _____

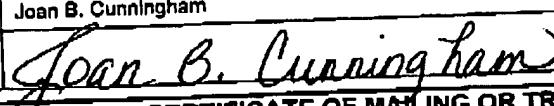
2. Miscellaneous

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. Other _____

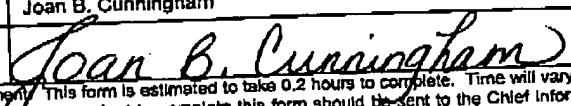
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 - ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§1.136 and 1.17)
 - iii. Suspension of action fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(l)
 - iv. Other _____

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Case 7804

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of :
Douglas J. Dobrozsi et al.
Request for Continuation Examination Application :
Serial No.: 09/467,333 :
Confirmation No.: 2248 : Group Art Unit: 1617
Filed: December 20, 1999 : Examiner: H. Nguyen
Title: Compositions Having Improved Stability :

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.114

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified continuation examination application as follows and consider the accompanying remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 6, please delete the paragraph at lines 1-10 and insert therefor

--The actives that comprise compositions of the present invention include actives that fall into at least one of the following pharmacological classifications: antitussives; antihistamines; non-sedating antihistamines; decongestants; expectorants; mucolytics; analgesics; antipyretics; anti-inflammatory agents; local anesthetics; and mixtures thereof. References that describe the use of such actives include J. G. Hardman, The Pharmacologic Basis of Therapeutics, Ninth Edition, McGraw-Hill, New York, 1995. Among the actives that fall in these pharmacological classifications are those that are suited for absorption through mucosal tissues. These actives can be used alone or in combination with other actives not necessarily absorbed in this manner and may be formulated within existing formulation techniques.--